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BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held Thursday, May 13, 2021 20

**CALL TO ORDER:** Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch called the Riverside, Ohio City Council Work Session to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Riverside Administrative Offices located at 5200 Springfield Street, Suite 100, Riverside, Ohio, 45431.

**ROLL CALL:** Council attendance was as follows: Ms. Campbell, present; Mr. Denning, present; Mrs. Franklin, present; Ms. Fry, present; Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch, present; and Mayor Williams, present (arrived at 6:02 pm).

Staff present was as follows: Mark Carpenter, City Manager; Chris Lohr, Assistant City Manager; and Katie Lewallen, Clerk of Council.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch led the pledge of allegiance.

**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:** No council members were absent.

**ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA:** There were no additions or corrections to the amended agenda.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Mr. Denning motioned to approve the agenda. Mrs. Franklin seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

**WORK SESSION ITEMS:**

**Open Council Seat Interviews** – Council determined to interview candidates individually.

**1) Jesse Maxfield** – Mr. Maxfield provided a brief bio of himself to council. He is a Stebbins graduate; then attended Wright State University where he earned his Bachelors Degree, Masters Degree, and Education Specialist Degree. He worked at Stebbins High School for 12 years where he was an intervention specialist as well as a dean of students, and career tech director for his final seven years at Stebbins. He recently moved to Miami Valley Career Technology Center.

Mayor Williams asked what he had done in a volunteer or civic role has he taken on in adulthood. Mr. Maxfield stated he was the current president of the Stebbins High School Alumni Association. They just raised funds for the Class of 2021 masks. He also volunteers coaching three sports in Riverside: youth wrestling, baseball, and football. He stated in high school he was involved in student senate and the student body president. He is interested in the position as he was serving at Stebbins High School and is no longer there. He wants to find another way to serve in the community.

Ms. Fry asked what has attracted him to city council as opposed to running for the school board. Mr. Maxfield stated he has been interested in city council since graduating from Stebbins as he planned to run at age 18, but he hadn't yet been registered to vote for a year. When he got done with college and went to work at Stebbins he was told he wasn't able to run for council because he made financial decisions for the school district. Now that he is no longer at Stebbins this was an opportunity. Ms. Fry asked if he had been involved in any sort of executive search hiring for a position. Mr. Maxfield replied that in his position he had interviewed several for teachers and, where he is at now he arranges interviews. He has been involved in that process. Ms. Fry asked what his plans were for November. Mr. Maxfield stated he is interested in running. He saw this as an opportunity to get his feet wet to make sure it is something he wants to do. He is interested in running either way in November.

Mr. Denning asked if he would run for the remaining two years for Dan's term or run for a four-year slot. Mr. Maxfield stated the two-year would be a good opportunity. Mr. Denning reminded him that signature sheets are due in August.

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Mrs. Franklin asked how he feels his accomplishments help him in this open position. Mr. Maxfield replied being in education there is the opportunity for constant interaction with members of the community. He understands the community and how to talk and relate to the community. He feels that is a strong suit for himself. He loves the community and the people. He grew up in the plat, moved to Forest Ridge, and now lives in Valley View Estates. He is firmly imbedded in the community. Mrs. Franklin stated they are a city manager-council form of government and asked how he sees his role as a council members. Mr. Maxfield stated his role is to be an active participant in the council and providing input and beliefs. It is also important to collaborate with council and they work together to make decisions for the community to try and move forward.

Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch stated she has known Mr. Maxfield for many years and has lived through some hard decisions with him and the school district. She asked him if he had a problem with making hard and unpopular decisions. Mr. Maxfield stated he does not. He has made plenty of tough decisions over the past few years. She stated their decisions are done as a group. She is concerned that he has not reached out to be a part of any of the volunteer committees though she understands he had a real time-consuming job while at Stebbins. Mr. Maxfield stated that is what made it difficult at Stebbins, a lot of hours plus two young children. Now, in his position he has evenings free and not a lot of time commitment in the evenings. He has an opportunity to participate in different events. He added that while at Stebbins he was actively involved.

Mayor Williams stated he was encouraged when he saw he was going to be a part of the process specifically because of the things he just mentioned. Both he and Mr. Maxfield are both products of the local schools, while Mayor Williams was in the catholic school and Mr. Maxfield in the Mad River schools. Both have been coaching since they have been out of school and run into one another at different events. Mayor Williams stated that he was reaching young people at a very critical time in their life and appreciates that. He knows Mr. Maxfield is putting in time and making a difference. He stated the decisions they have to make in the next few months are critical to the city's future and there are things on the horizon. He asked him how he feels his background on where he grew up and through the schools and neighborhoods prepared him to be a part of the critical decisions. Mr. Maxfield stated he has had difficult conversations with community members before in regards to situations with their child or student, although in the education system, he can take that over and apply that to here. He knows you can't make everybody happy, but if you listen and understand where they are coming from and can explain where the city comes from and trying to move forward, he thinks while they may not agree, hopefully, they can find some common ground.

Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch stated that they meet many Thursday nights and the availability will be really important in the next few months. Mr. Maxfield replied he has two assistant coaches with baseball and football. From a school standpoint he does not have too many evening commitments. He can make his schedule open.

Mr. Maxfield thanked council for the opportunity to interview. He has been a lifelong resident and loves the community. He chose to have his kids grow up here and go to the schools. He is passionate about he community and thinks they have a lot of good opportunities to grow. He hopes they provide him with the opportunity to serve on the council.

**2) Shirley Reynolds** – Ms. Reynolds stated how her parents, herself, and her brother all bought houses near one another creating a triangle on Elverne. She is a former councilmember and is ready to serve any time in the community. The community is important to her and she wants to do whatever she can to help. She understands the struggles they have gone through. She appreciates that they have come as far as they have come.



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Ms. Campbell asked what are some actions the city has taken in the past two years that she feels should have been done differently and why. Ms. Reynolds replied that she commends city council's and local governments for everything they have been able to do during the last 18 months. She can't imagine there is anything she could suggest that they could have done better because they have the information and had what they needed to know to do what they had to do. She would hate to second guess anyone. She has her own ideas; she wants every service possible for the residents. She wants everyone to be as safe as they could be. She wanted vaccines brought door-to-door that is her and her idea. She does not know what could have been done better because she doesn't know what was offered.

Ms. Fry stated that city manager is needing to be replaced and that is the most pressing issue before them. She knows she has helped select a city manager at least once before, and wanted her to elaborate on that experience and what she would bring to the table in a search as they have before them. Ms. Reynolds stated that is one of the tasks the council has facing it is replacing the city manager. It is a difficult task, but she sees they have put out an RFP asking for a consulting group and help with the decision. She thinks that is very wise. Councils hate to know they have to lose a valued member of their staff. Knowing a city manager runs day-to-day operations keeps them out of trouble that is going to be an important choice they all make. The last time they were looking for a city manager, she fought long and hard for consultants to come in and not to be ignored. She encourages them all; if they hire someone to do that job to let them do their job. Ms. Fry asked her what her plans are for November. Ms. Reynolds replied with regard to the election she has no idea. She is concerned with the situation they are facing right now. November is five to six months away; she may run or she may not.

Mr. Denning asked if she were to run, would she run for the two-year term or a four-year term. Ms. Reynolds stated she would run for the two-years remaining on the term. She thinks that is the situation at hand. Too much change is not good for any city. A lot of training goes on bringing new people in and they have four seats open this year.

Mrs. Franklin asked from her previously being on council, what does she think is one of her greatest accomplishments and how does she feel that accomplishment helped move the city forward. Ms. Reynolds replied that she has always said if they are able to turn the lights on and off everyday that is a great accomplishment and that is how she feels now. We all want to do something great, but greatness is serving our residents and providing services to them every day not when we can, not when we want to. Sometimes people make it very difficult for them to offer services. She discussed a call she received from a resident who calls her regularly. She wants to know what she can do. She does not speak for the city, but they can tell people who to call, what to ask, how to ask, and when to ask.

Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch stated she knows a lot about Ms. Reynolds abilities and her finance background, which was invaluable to council when she sat on council that is a strong point for her. They are in a money crunch as well as a people crunch and she knows Shirley has devoted a lot of her time and life to the city. I am sure she would be valuable back on council. Ms. Reynolds thanked her for her kind words. She still fights and always fights the budget people.

Mayor Williams stated they are taking a different approach in 2021 than was taken the last time the city searched for a city manager. She was in favor of an executive search firm back then as they are doing now. He asked her why she thinks it didn't happen back then, was she in the minority. Ms. Reynolds stated that had been a difficult time for the council and having to look for a new city manager was probably the last thing they thought they would be doing at that time. She believes the council worked many hours on coming up with what they wanted to see in a city manager. They had two young ladies that presented to them about working with to achieve what they wanted as a council, and it fell by the wayside. She does not know the reason. It was to their detriment because they need a process. It is nothing against the city manager, but they always need a process to know where they are going and

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why they are going that way and to make sure they go that way. He asked for her time working for the city, as a resident, and as a friend of the neighborhood, how does she feel that has prepared her to serve again. Ms. Reynolds stated she knows her audience and knows the strength and the weaknesses. The strengths are what you build on and you work together. She has argued with many on council when she sat on council, but they came together when it was important. They can have different ideas and think things differently; it is incumbent upon her to present her ideas and she thinks that is what they expect of someone to present ideas and try to get the votes.

Ms. Reynolds stated she wanted to tell them about the meeting she is going to. It is with the EPA group. They have not been able to meet this past year and consider what all is going on at Mullins, at Valley Crest, and at Behr. It is important of what is going on at any site that affects their site. To get their site mitigated in less than 30 years is what they are working towards. She is hoping to get some good information this week. Mayor Williams thanked her for her work on that as it affects a number of residents. Ms. Campbell asked if she talked to the EPA about Mullins's connection with Valley Crest. Ms. Reynolds stated they meet together on all three. They are on everything they do. Discussion was held on parties involved with is concern. She thanked them for their time.

**3) Freda Patterson** – Ms. Patterson stated that all of council has some knowledge of her. She has business experience and knowledge to be able to do the duties required of the city council member. She is very passionate about the city and its residents. Before she considered running, she has been active in the community by organizing events or participating in events such as Dan Ryan's clean-up days. She voices her opinion on what she has felt like were the majority of the opinions on several issues at council meetings. Council is to be here for residents and represent the citizens as best as possible as a whole. She has no desire to go to state or county government offices. Her only concern is Riverside and helping the city prosper. They need city, staff, and council that work with the residents and listen to them to work as a whole. If they are looking for a 'yes, sir' person, she is not the one they will want. She hopes they choose the best person fit for council based on their experiences and love of the city. She does not know either of the other candidates well, but knows of them and they both seem to be outstanding citizens of the city. She added that if she was not chosen, she will continue to work on improving the city the best way she knows how, which is in her ways of events and things she tries to do.

Ms. Fry thanked her for everything she does in the community and she is an asset. Her participation is much appreciated. She stated the most pressing matter they have is to replace the city manager. She asked her what experience she can bring to the table in that decision. Ms. Patterson replied that when she was a canteen manager at Am-Vets for a number of years she did hiring and firing and in that type of situation. She stated in running her own business, while she was the sole worker, she did go out and get her own contracts and bids and such. She stated her experience is in business where you work with people in contracts and such. Ms. Fry asked her if she is selected, what would her plans be in November. She is aware she has taken out a petition for one of the four-year terms. She asked her if this would change her plans to run for the two-year term. Ms. Patterson replied that she still plans to run in November for the four-year term.

Mrs. Franklin asked through job experience and education what does she think best prepares her for the position. Ms. Patterson replied it was her business knowledge of expense reports, financial statements, the understanding she has as a manager and running her own business and what that entails and goes into that. She understands what can keep a person profitable instead of losses, and how those can be manipulated for what is necessary and just her experiences with city residents and communication with them. Mrs. Franklin asked how she sees her role as a council member under the city manager-council type government. Ms. Patterson replied that on council there is the mayor and deputy mayor, which is the ladder chain, and then the city manager, from her understanding, falls above the mayor position as



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far as if something cannot be resolved by council or answered as far as the mayor then city manager is the next step to find the information.

Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch thanked Ms. Patterson for being there. She is aware of all of her efforts in the city. She reviewed the abilities of the council with her. She stated that you want to try to do everything you can for everybody. Everyone sitting in the room including the audience have things they would like to have happen in the city. You can't jump in and promise to do everything; it is hard to play that role. She compared her time served on school board to council. She told Ms. Patterson that she appreciates she cares enough. It needs to be understood that the city manager works for the council and filling that role is extremely important not from a spokesman standpoint, but from being educated and finding out what they need to know and what is best to present to the council. They cannot go out and do a lot of the contacting and getting the true story like a city manager. They have their own club. They work with each other. It has to be somebody who is politically savvy to do what is best for the city. They have gone through some tough times in the past couple of years. It is hard for the community to sometimes understand the decisions council makes, but it has always been what they have felt was in the best interest of the people who live here. We all love the city or we wouldn't be here. It takes a lot of temperament and tongue biting to sit up here. Thanks for being interested enough to put your name out there. It is hard. Ms. Patterson replied that she has said to others on the pay they get for what they do is minimal because I would say there is not one of you that would say you have not taken some kind of crap. I expect to do that also if I were to be on council because you will never satisfy everybody. My thoughts are if you go with the majority of what the residents want, then at least you are on the positive side instead of the negative end of the spectrum. She stated she communicates with the residents a lot. As a council person, she doesn't plan on totally stopping that, but she would have to not be stating so much her own opinions or feelings. They have to represent as a whole rather than as an individual. She will represent herself as an individual until she gets a council seat. At that point, she knows that the mentality has to change along with the speech. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch stated that they represent the whole city. Ms. Patterson mentioned a conversation she had about one of her events and being asked why it was a Valley Street plat event. She asked who said it was a Valley Street plat event. She has shared with numerous outlets and never said it was limited to Valley Street. Her first event was at Rohrer Park and she had over 100 people and a lot were not from the plat. People then even asked her if it was for plat people and if they would be IDed. She said she would not be doing that. It was for the kids. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch stated she has been very inclusive and welcoming to the children. Discussion was held on neighborhoods having their own individual interests and caring. They need more education and to bring the city together as they are a city and not neighborhoods. She knows Ms. Patterson has tried.

Ms. Campbell stated she has been active on social media criticizing the actions of council and criticizing individual council members and asked her how will she be able to join the council and become a team member and how do those behaviors establish her as a team member. Why should the council select you instead of the other applicants who have been less vocal? Ms. Patterson stated she did not say they should choose her over any other applicants. They should choose the person that is the best fit for the position. As far as social media, without making it sound worse than what it should be, she is not the only one that has done such, and as she has stated as a council member at that point she would need to hold back on my personal and open feelings and make it as a team effort instead of her representing council in her own personal way, which shows bad against all of council. Once you become a council member, you are a team.

Mayor Williams stated he doesn't know anyone who loves the city more than she does. He believes that she walks the talk in a way others don't. She may not get a lot of accolades, but the joy she gets in making children's Christmas or Easter or summer days is a true gift to them. He thanked her for the opportunities she made happen. He added that she brings together different parts of the city. The city is challenged just by geography. Sometimes people from one area don't get to other areas. It was great she did an Easter egg hunt at

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Overlook. He thanked her for what she has done. He asked her how she feels about her time as a resident, neighbor, advocate, friend, and a person who does Easter egg hunts has prepared her for this role. Ms. Patterson replied that schools are even divided and it used to be they didn't come together until high school. Now, the kids come together sooner. Living here, going through the school system and meeting at Stebbins brought her to have friends on the Page Manor side so she has an understanding from growing up how divided the city can be. Seeing how different sections and how separate they can seem gives her insight on ideas on how to bring all of it together, which is what she tried to do with some of the events.

Ms. Patterson stated she wants to recognize some citizens. Dan Ryan is going up and above for residents, whether by helping people fix things on properties or by organizing the clean up days for the city. He truly loves Riverside. He takes money out of his own pocket sometimes and doesn't get any rewards out of that. Timothy Long, a lifelong resident of Riverside, recognizes the effort Dan puts out there. He chose to take money out of his pocket and have 20 T-shirts made for the clean-up day on Saturday. This was supposed to be a surprise for Dan and she asked him if he can tonight to please watch. She presented the shirt to council. She wanted to shout out to Dan and Tim for what they have done. She also thanks anyone who has volunteered and helped Dan because he can't do it all on his own. Recently, the mayor and Mr. Denning helped with one of his projects; that is what it takes. It takes all who can to jump in and make the city better. She thanked any of them who jumped in and volunteered and got nothing out of it except the pleasure of helping someone. She has also reached out to Jeremy McGhee about building a blessing box. Mr. McGhee is the construction trade teacher at Stebbins. He put his seniors to work on it; she gave them ideas and samples. She picked it up today and was amazing. She thanked Stebbins construction trade seniors and Mr. McGhee for doing all this to help residents. She congratulated graduating seniors from Stebbins and Carroll high schools.

RESOLUTION:

**Resolution No. 21-R-2678** – Authorizing the city manager to enter into a professional service agreement with management Partners to perform an executive search for the City of Riverside, city manager position.

Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch motioned to approve Resolution No. 21-R-2678. Mr. Denning seconded the motion.

Mrs. Franklin stated that at the last meeting she seconded the motion and misunderstood. She just asked the next time they have something like this where there are options on the table that when they go to make a choice that an initial role is called so they know there is a majority for that. She was unaware of what she had motioned. If a role call produces a majority then a motion can be made; if not, then it at least each council member said what they chose of the options. If there is not a majority they can open up a conversation regarding the choices. She asked that moving forward they implement that. She added it is important that everyone says what their choice is because council and the public needs to know instead of saying yea or nay. She doesn't know if anyone looked at or considered the information. If a vote is thrown out there, at least she knows the council members looked at the information and made a decision based on that.

Mayor Williams added that he made the motion. Mrs. Franklin commented it is a resolution and a lot of times when a motion is made they have a discussion. Mr. Denning stated all the motion did was bring forth this resolution. Mrs. Franklin stated there were three companies and when she heard the term 'management' she heard 'management firm' and she thought they were going towards a discussion and not an actual company. She just misunderstood. Mayor Williams stated he motioned for Management Partners because it was the most affordable and he has had a chance to work with one person who is a partner at the firm who was a former city manager in Centerville and their timeline fits within what they need. That was his thought when he made the motion. Mr. Denning stated he went through everything



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as well and thought they had the best. It may not have been as thick as everyone else, but it gave them the basic information and a reasonable price. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch added she hopes no one votes on anything they haven't read or studied. Mrs. Franklin commented it is easy to say 'yea' or 'nay' when you don't have to actually say what you want. She thought when they came out of executive session there would be a poll and everyone could have picked what they wanted. There were options on the table. Mayor Williams stated that Mrs. Franklin would like a role call vote when they are considering more than one option. The resolution as it stands is for one firm.

All were favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

**COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS:** Mrs. Franklin: I would like to touch back on what Brenda said last week on mental health and our children. My mother-in-law told me about a book called 19 minutes by Jodi Picoult. It is a very interesting read about children and really how all of us, society, school, parenting, friends, really play a role into our children and where they become. At least for me, when I see something happen, I don't usually ask why it happened or why is this child here, I think about what happened to this child for them to get to this point. I don't think children are born with bad intentions or things like that. It is a really interesting book and gives you a lot of insight into staring from a young age and the child ends up in a very poor situation at the end. It is worth the read to kind of understand children and how we all play a role in the development of children. They say it takes a village to raise a child and not just a couple of parents.

Mayor Williams: I would like to thank Councilmember Fry for organizing another successful blood drive for us here at the City. I took part in my very first donation of blood. Luckily for me, I had a lot of support. Major Colon was there when I arrived and then Brenda arrived a few minutes after. It was good to see other team members there. The staff at the blood center could not have been more professional, more friendly, and just a great experience for me and one I certainly plan to do on a regular basis now. I really do thank you, Brenda, because I probably would have just stayed on the sidelines had you not been so persistent and passionate about the need for it. We've all had family members that have had stays in the hospital, some long term; you realize very quickly how important it is that the community does this and it does hit home for me. When I was talking to the staff members and they talk about the number of lives that you will directly impact their long-term health just by taking a half-an-hour out of your Monday. It was great to have it right here in the city. Mr. Manager I think you were right behind me. It was great to see all the team members. Ms. Campbell: The next one is going to be July 5. Mrs. Franklin: Are they going to let me donate then? Ms. Fry: No, I think yours is pretty much a long-term deferral. Mr. Carpenter: Mayor, I appreciate you saving me some cookies. Mayor Williams: Just a few though, they said take as many as you need. I was like I need a lot. I was also glad that Brenda took the time to educate me and educate some folks in the community that have not taken advantage of this. The status of you getting the vaccine, not having the vaccine, you are still able to donate blood. Don't let that be a deterrent; if you are able to, please consider it as it helps so many people in our community, so many families. Brenda, thank you very much.

Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: Just a friendly reminder for people who are not aware, we have coffee with a cop at Pettibone at 9:00 am on Saturday. We have shredding event with Domescik, the Chamber, and the Jaycess at the haunted house from 11 am – 2 pm for Riverside residents. Then, we have clean-up from 2 pm – 4 pm. It is going to be nice weather and my truck will be there hauling bags I guess. Mayor Williams: A ribbon cutting tomorrow. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: That's right, we have another restaurant opening at 11:00 am at the Gyro Max at Airway. I think our car wash is coming along really well. Things are moving and shaking in Riverside.

Ms. Fry: Thank you so much for sharing your experience with the blood drive. It is a lot of fun to help coordinate and the Community Blood Center is so very grateful. I wanted to share the results. We had 20 members of our community donate, and I believe Ms. Patterson is

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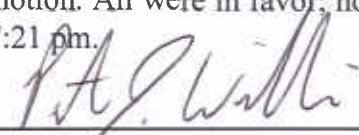
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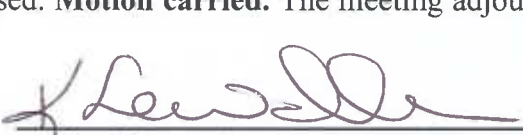
one of them, thank you. We had three first-time donors. We get very excited when we have first time donors. One of the CBCs goals this year is to increase the number of first-time donors. During the summer a lot of people drop off because of a lot of activities during the summer and things vying for their time. There is always the potential of a blood shortage. One of the ways to mitigate against that is to have a broad pool of candidates that we can pull from. All that to say, they have been running a little low and they were grateful for everyone who came out. The 18 units they collected is equivalent to 54 lives that can be saved. Thank you, everyone, the next drive is July 5. It is a holiday so I am going to try and work really hard to make sure people remember it and take time out to support that. The other thing I wanted to share, our neighbors to the west in West Dayton had their grand opening for the Gem City Market. We talked a lot tonight about coming together as a community is so very important and I wanted to share that as a shining example of what is really possible when you have a community that works together and is patient. This was a project that has been several years in the making. I want to say it was four years ago when I spoke to them and they were thinking about doing it. Just to see the progress bringing the project to fruition. It is a beautiful market and has so much community support. There are so many connections with the kitchen, the coffee house, and the community center all taking part there. I wanted to give them a shout out as a beautiful example of a community of what can be accomplished. Mayor Williams: Right by the YMCA, 324 Salem. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: You have to be a member to buy food, but you can go to the coffee store. Ms. Fry: I believe you don't have to be a member to buy food. Mrs. Franklin: It is for the community; you can buy into it as a member meaning that is what supports it. Ms. Fry: I think members get discounts, but I think anybody can shop there.

Mr. Denning: To tie into the blood thing, I want to thank you all for giving blood. I can't; I've been deferred, but it saved my grandson's life three years ago. We didn't know he was ill. It ended up being a Chron's disease or whatever the other one is, but he was bleeding internally and didn't even know it. We got him to the hospital, and they had to give him three or four units of blood over the days he was there to get his red blood cell count. When we went in his red blood cell count was way down here and his white blood cell count was way up here. The first thing that goes through my mind is leukemia. Because the blood was available and there, it was able to bring everything back up, and he is a very healthy, happy 15-year-old now. We were probably within a couple of days of losing him and didn't even know it so I want to thank everybody that gave blood because that is the type of thing that giving blood can do for your community. I just wanted to thank you for doing what you did because in the long run it saved my grandson's life. Don't forget the shred it event and all the other things we have. Please participate in your community. The whole idea of the community cleanup is the whole community cleaning up not a city cleanup; clean up your portion of the community and we all will live better for that. The street sweeper will get there when it can get there.

Ms. Patterson: I wanted to say something on the blood drive. I did it twice; the first drive was my first time as a donor, but that time there was a personal card from Brenda and this past time there was a life saver and note. I just wanted to say the personal touch she puts in to that is just amazing. Thank you for adding that personal touch and making us feel appreciated more than just donating the blood. Thank you so much. Mayor Williams: Mr. Manager, please pass along to the police chief thank you for the police for what they do every day, but they did a nice shout out to our high school seniors at Stebbins, East Dayton Christian, and Carroll; it was very appreciated. The cops do so much for those kids throughout the year. We are very proud of our graduates.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Ms. Campbell motioned to adjourn. Mrs. Franklin seconded the motion. All were in favor; none were opposed. **Motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.

  
Peter J. Williams, Mayor

  
Clerk of Council